(iv) A World Bank assisted Pilot Project for watershed development in rainfed areas.

In addition to these programmes, scheme of Social Forestry including rural fuelwood plantations is also in operation in Andhra Pradesh.

Development of horticulture during Seventh Five Year Plan

1337. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount earmarked for the development of horticulture during the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) what is the amount allocated to Andhra Pradesh and other States for this purpose during the current financial year; and

(c) what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) A sum of Rs. 25 crores have been earmarked for development of horticulture as Central share during 7th Five Year Plan Period.

(b) and (c) The following schemes have been sanctioned for 1985-86 for implementation in States/Union Territories including Andhra Pradesh. The details are given below:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Total amount Allocated for All India	Amount Allocated to Andhra Pradesh
1	Package programme for development of Coconut	49·07	2·54
2	Project of Coconut Development Board	150·00	9·284
3	Package Programme on cashewnut development	84·90	15·617
4	Improved technology for quality apple production	13·69	..
5	Programme for development of spices	8·53	..
6	Programme for development of cocoa	2·99	..
7	Programme for distribution of minikit for increasing production of vegetables of National Horticulture Board	63·00	3·00
8	Package Programme on banana and pineapple in Union Territories	7·61	..

Besides, a Central Sector Scheme for establishment of Elite Progeny Orchards-cum-nurseries in 10 SFCI farms has been sanctioned with an outlay of Rs. 33·50 lakhs for 1985-86.

Drug addiction in the country

1338. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey was conducted to find out the incidence of drug addiction in the country;

(b) if so, what is the percentage of youth below the age of 20 years and those between 20—30 years who are reported to be drug addicts; and

(c) what steps are being taken to achieve de-addiction?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) Although no national survey has so far been done to assess the problem of drug abuse and alcoholism in the country, yet in 1976 the then Department of Social Welfare got conducted 11 research studies. To assess the changing trend about the problem of Drug abuse, this Ministry has now sanctioned the "Multi-Centered Study on Drug Abuse among Students" in January, 1985 to different institutions to conduct the study in four metropolitan Centres (Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Delhi) and in five non-metropolitan centres (Varanasi, Jabalpur, Jaipur, Hyderabad and Bangalore) with a coordinating centre at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi. The results will be known by the middle of 1986. The nature and extent of the problem of drug abuse will be known only after the completion of the study.

De-addiction facilities are being provided in the various Government hospitals and other institutions. The existing facilities are proposed to be expanded. Section 71 of the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act 1985 which came into effect from 14-11-85 provides for the setting up of centres for the identification, treatment & rehabilitation etc. of drug addicts.

(c) Voluntarly Organisations are being involved in the rehabilitative and curative aspects of the Drug abuse problem.

Suspension of News Reader and Editor Incharge of AIR

1339. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT:

SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state·

(a) whether it is a fact that a News Reader and an Editor-Incharge in the News Section of the AIR have recently been suspended because of a security lapse; and

(b) whether any inquiry was held in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) Some officials, including one News Reader and one Assistant News Editor, were suspended on 23-8-1985 in connection with the unauthorised entry of two persons in the Studio of AIR, Delhi.

(b) Yes, Sir.

Survey in Bihar by L. N. Mishra Institute of Economic Development and Social Change

1340. SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that according to a recent survey of certain districts in Bihar conducted by the L. N. Mishra Institute of Economic Development and Social Change, more than 95 per cent of the Scheduled Castes in Bihar continue to be below the poverty line and live under abysmal conditions besides being treated as 'untouchables'; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Central Government thereto?